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## Praise From Allen Dulles

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SACRAMENTO — Thomas W. Braden, whose reappointment to the state Board of Education comes up for a Senate hearing tomorrow, has received strong boosts from two major sources.

Allen W. Dulles, former director of the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency, commended Braden's work as an assistant director of the CIA.

Gov. Brown, who reappointed Braden to a second four-year term on the board, said Braden is doing a "magnificent job" as board president.

Plans to Appear

Braden, 45, Oceanside newspaper publisher, has said he will appear at the hearing, as will his chief opponent, Sen, Jack Shgrade, R-Del Mar.

A letter from Dulles to Braden, made public yesterday, had been requested by Braden to answer what he called "shocking r u m o r 3" about his government service.

Dulles wrote:

rumor has been told that a rumor has been circulated to the general effect that your association with the Central Intelligence Agency was terminated for some reason other than your own volition.

Highest Value

... I wish to assure you ... that your services with the agency were of the highest value and importance....

"It was to my great regret
... when you of your own
volition for financial reasons
... decided you would no
longer serve with us.

". You were sorely missed."

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